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ADVANCE CONTINUES.

PURSUING THE TURKS.

IN THE WEST.

GERMANS ATTACKING.

The Russians continue to attack along the whole of the front from the Black Sea to Lake Van, and are straining every nerve to capture Kiamil Pasha's army.

During the last few days the Russians, under the Grand Duke Nicholas, have advanced over 50 miles.

The Turkish armies at Baghdad and in Persia have been cut off from the Asia Minor forces.

The capture of Mush and Ahlat is said to deprive the Turks of all possibility of junctioning forces.

Heavy fighting continues on the western front. The Germans have had some small successes.

The attitude of Roumania and Greece is causing uneasiness in Bulgaria.

Four German seaplanes raided the Kentish coast on Sunday, and dropped bombs on Lowestoft and Walmer. Two persons were killed.

BELGIUM.

GERMANS' FIXED POLICY.

"IMPOVERISH THE COUNTRY."

LONDON, Feb. 20. Mr. Edward Grey (Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) has issued a memorandum to the British Ministers in response to frequent representations of the impending ruin of Belgium industries and universal unemployment.

Mr. Grey says he understands that there is a strong feeling among Belgians that the distress is attributable to the action of the Allies in preventing the export of goods. He says that the Government is anxious to do all in its power to prevent the export of goods, and that it is not contented that Belgium industry can be maintained without considerable gain to the Allies. He says that the Government is anxious to do all in its power to prevent the export of goods, and that it is not contented that Belgium industry can be maintained without considerable gain to the Allies.

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ERZERUM.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE.

TURKISH DEBACLE.

THE PURSUIT CONTINUES.

ARMIES CUT OFF.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 21.

The Grand Duke Nicholas, with lightning blows, continues to attack without interruption along the whole of the front from the Black Sea to Lake Van.

The Russian army is straining every nerve to capture Kiamil Pasha's army, all the corps of which are shedding their guns, ammunition, and equipment.

A relief army under Enver Pasha is reported to be marching from Sivas towards Erzerum. If any of Kiamil's fugitives are saved, they will be only ex-haunted men.

The Russians have advanced over 50 miles during the last few days. Already they are in full possession of the upper waters of the Euphrates. Their successes in the south are also securing them the upper waters of the Tigris, thus completely cutting off the Turkish army at Baghdad and in Persia from the Asia Minor front.

The fighting was utterly different from that in Europe. It was not trench fighting. The troops operated on the roads, and forces a few miles apart may be separated by a mountain range as completely as if they were in different hemispheres.

CLEVER MANOEUVRING.

The Russian success was largely due to manoeuvring, which mystified the German commanders, and led to the fatal dispersion of the Turkish forces. The Grand Duke Nicholas and General Yudenitch did not at first contemplate an assault on Erzerum, but the breaking of the Turkish centre gave an opportunity for a sudden stroke.

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WESTERN FRONT.

GERMAN ATTACKS.

VIGOROUS FIGHTING.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports: "On Saturday night, the German attack on the Western Front was a heavy one, but it was repulsed with considerable loss to the enemy."

The enemy moved east of Boesinghe and made an important advance. Our aeroplanes made a successful night raid on Cambrai aerodrome, and exploded bombs inside the shed. The aeroplanes returned safely.

The following communiqué has been issued: "The Germans violently bombarded our positions at St. Eustache (north-west of Ypres), and attempted to cross the canal. Some groups reached our first line, but were immediately ejected."

GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

A German communiqué says: "We stormed 350 yards of the British positions on the Yser Canal. Attempts at re-capture failed. There is vigorous fighting southward of Loos."

THE BALKANS.

BULGARIA UNEASY.

LONDON, Feb. 20. A message from Salonika states that Roumania's attitude and Greece's profound change of opinion towards the Allies have created uneasiness in Bulgaria. The bulk of the Bulgarians co-operating with the Austro-Germans in Macedonia have not been transferred to the Danube.

The people in Walmer were enjoying Sunday walks when suddenly the whir of an aeroplane was heard. They saw a machine 1000 feet in the air, and instantly there was a cry of "Look out, it's a German!"

Get under cover! Some took to the ground, and others looked on with contemptuous indifference. A deafening series of explosions occurred, particularly near a church. They shook the building, and caused a momentary pause in the singing of the "Te Deum."

The service proceeded without the least panic among the congregation. Many houses, not a single pane of glass was broken. Curiosity was the prevailing feeling, and an eager search for pieces of bomb followed. Several holes fell in the sea.

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AIR RAID.

GERMAN SEAPLANES.

SOUTH AND EAST COAST.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Four German seaplanes raided the Kentish coast at noon today. It is officially stated that the seaplanes raided the south-east and east coasts at midday.

The first two raiding planes appeared off Lowestoft at 11 a.m., and circled on the south side of the town for five minutes, dropping bombs. They then seemingly vanished. Later, they reappeared. Altogether, 17 small high explosive bombs were dropped. There were no casualties.

Considerable damage was done to two dwellings and out-buildings of a restaurant. Two naval seaplanes went on and pursued the raiders, without result.

MEANWHILE, two other seaplanes attacked the Kentish coast, dropping bombs near the Kentish Knock light vessel. The last raid reached Walmer and dropped six bombs from a height of 3500 feet. Two bombs destroyed a roof, and broke the windows, one falling close to a church, and blowing out the windows as the congregation were singing the "Te Deum."

A third bomb in Walmer fell on a roadway along the coast, killing a civilian and injuring a marine. One bomb blew a boy who was walking along the roadway almost to pieces, and terribly injured a man near by. Two aeroplanes went up at Dover, and were in the air over Walmer when the raiders were bombing. Many walked, looking on with contemptuous indifference. A deafening series of explosions occurred, particularly near a church. They shook the building, and caused a momentary pause in the singing of the "Te Deum."

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HOTELS.

EARLY CLOSING ONLY TEMPORARY.

SENATOR GARDINER EXPLAINS.

The proclamation issued by the Federal Government for the early closing of hotels is according to Senator Gardiner, Vice-President of the Federal Executive Council, and Assistant Minister for Defence, only a temporary measure, and will be withdrawn when matters are quiet again.

"It was a very grave emergency," said Senator Gardiner yesterday, "that compelled us to issue the proclamation. As soon as we are perfectly satisfied that matters are normal, and when we have completed arrangements for the sending of a proportion of the troops from overseas to the country, then, of course, the proclamation will be withdrawn. I am hopeful that the rapidly settling conditions will allow the Federal Government to cancel the proclamation soon. Just when, I can't say, because it would be only guesswork. We have no desire to interfere with the State authority any longer than is necessary."

Questioned as to his opinion of how the proclamation was intended to affect clubs, Senator Gardiner was emphatic in expressing his view that clubs should be treated as a matter of military necessity. "The place where the general public drinks," he said, "I would, therefore, not entertain the idea of making a distinction between the ordinary citizen and the member of a club."

"As far as last week's trouble at the camp is concerned," went on Senator Gardiner, "I think that to connect the hotels with the trouble is absurd. The hotels were closed because there were so many men wandering about who were liable to become dangerous if they had liquor."

CABINET UNDECEASED.

The State Cabinet sat throughout yesterday morning and afternoon dealing among other matters, with the early closing of hotels.

Last night the Premier made a short statement regarding the particular phase of Ministers' deliberations.

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THE CLUBS.

With about 250 members at the front, or in the line of military camps, the University Club is carrying out the early closing order of the Minister for Defence. When such a place is closed, the members are asked to leave the club, and to go to their homes.

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It is a notable fact that the Germans have lately been making more frequent raids over England with aeroplanes, but we have not received any definite news of any such raid.

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